

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 are pending in the application. The Examiner states that election is required to continue examination. The Examiner states that restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 USC §121: Invention I of Claims 1-6 and 15-21; Invention II of Claims 7-9; Invention III of Claims 10 and 11; and Invention IV of Claims 12-14. In response, Applicants hereby elect claims 1-6 and 15-21 without traverse, and hereby cancel claims 7-14 without prejudice.

CONCLUSION

If in the opinion of Examiner Bonshock any issues remain to be resolved prior to allowance of the claims, Examiner Bonshock is encouraged to call Rick Gregory at (408) 236-6646.

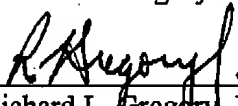
A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is enclosed herewith in duplicate for a one month extension of time.

AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Please charge deposit account 501914 for any additional fees due in connection with this Office Action response.

Respectfully submitted,
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